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Medical Officer of Health:

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Deputy Medical Officer of Health: Vacant

Senior Public Health Inspector:

T. W. TINDALL, A.R.S.H., M.A.P.H.I.

Additional Public Health Inspector:

K. RAMSDEN, M.A.P.H.I.

WEST RIDING COUNTY COUNCIL—

Preventive Medical Services: Health Division 18.

Staff with duties in the Hebden Royd District:—

Divisional Medical Officer—As above (M.O.H.).

Senior Departmental Medical Officer: Vacant.
as above (Deputy M.O.H.).

Departmental Medical Officers:

*W. C. McKERR, M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O.

S. CHARI, M.B., B.S. (Burma)

R. J. ECCLES, M.B., B.S. (Part-time).

Divisional Nursing Officer:

*C. J. BARKER, S.R.N., S.C.M.,
H.V. Cert., Queen's Nurse.

Nursing Officer (Health Visiting)

*S. M. GRAYSON, S.R.N., S.C.M., H.V. Cert,

Nursing Officer (Midwifery)

*S. M. GAULE, R.S.N., R.F.N., S.C.M,

Nursing Officer (Home Nursing)

*E. BRIGGS, S.R.N., S.C.M., Dist. Training Cert.

Health Visitors:

M. WILD, S.R.N., S.C.M.,

H.V. Cert., Queen's Nurse.

*J. A. EASTWOOD, S.R.N., H.V. Cert.,
(formerly Sullivan)

*†M. LUNN, S.R.N., H.V. Cert.,

Assistant Health Visitor:

*†E. A. HELLIWELL, S.R.N., S.C.M.

Tuberculosis Health Visitor:

*B. G. NICHOLL, S.R.N.

Midwives:

*A. B. HOBSON, S.R.N., C.M.B., Q.N.
(Retired 24-12-72)

*M. A. THOSEBY, S.C.M.
(Died 19-11-72)

*J. HODGSON, S.R.N. S.C.M., Q.N.
(Transferred from Brighthouse 1-11-72)

*M. G. HOWARTH, S.R.N., S.C.M.
(Transferred from Brighthouse 1-10-72)

Home Nurses:

S. A. M. HIRST, S.R.N., Queen's Nurse.

*H. MASH, S.R.N., Queen's Nurse.

S. COX, S.R.N.

* Also have duties in other parts of the Division.

† Part Time.

Divisional Administrative Officer:

H. MARSHALL, A.C.I.S., A.R.S.H.

Clerks:

Miss M. J. Crowther

Mrs S. M. Hallsworth

Miss K. Gill

K. G. Holland

Mrs L. F. Clarke, D.M.A.

Mrs M. Cridge

Mrs M. Thackray

Miss A. M. Longbottom

Miss S. E. Kettley

HALIFAX AREA HOSPITALS MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Consultant Staff:

Chest Physician:

BERTRAM MANN, B.Sc., M.D., D.P.H.

Ear, Nose and Throat Surgeon:

P. J. BATCHELOR,

M.B., B.S., F.R.C.S.(E.), D.L.O.

Ophthalmic Surgeon:

S. B. DAVIES, MR.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.O.

Orthopaedic Surgeon:

J. K. OYSTON, M.B., B.S., F.R.C.S.

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The Abraham Ormerod Medical Centre.

Todmorden

January, 1974

To the Chairman and Members of the Council

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present the Annual Report on the health of the urban district for the year 1972, my second year as Medical Officer of Health and Divisional Medical Officer for the West Riding County Health Services.

The vital statistics showed a very small decrease in the population based on the mid year estimate, the figure for 1972 being 8,710 but the births increased to give a birth rate of 17·1 per thousand population, which, when adjusted for population factors, gave an adjusted birth rate of 19·2 per thousand estimated population. During the year there was one infant death only, giving an infant mortality rate of 6·7 per thousand live births, a rate which was well below the national figure.

The main causes of death were, again, diseases of the heart and circulation, coronary heart disease accounting for over 70 per cent of this group. This condition, all too frequently strikes at the middle age groups, with tragic consequences emotionally and economically for the family. Deaths from malignant disease showed a slight increase over the previous year whilst strokes and respiratory diseases were other major contributors to the mortality in 1972. However, the total death rate when adjusted for population factors was 12·9 per thousand population, very much the same as the figure for the County and the Country as a whole.

Although protection against measles is now part of the routine immunisation programme, the number of notifications received was the same as the 1971 figure. Analysis of notifications received has shown that immunisation confers a very

high degree of protection. The value of immunisation lies not only in reducing the number of cases but also the unfortunate complications which can occur. Previous studies have shown that 38 per thousand notifications developed severe bronchitis and pneumonia, 25 per thousand had middle ear infections, 4 per thousand notifications showed neurological complications and about 1 per cent of cases required admission to hospital.

The number of tuberculosis cases notified remains very similar to the 1971 figure indicating that the disease is still present and means of preventing spread of infection continue to be important until eradication takes place. The diminution of active cases is due to medical and social factors such as reduction of overcrowding, improvement in general standards of living, effective case finding and treatment by anti-tuberculous drugs and prevention by vaccination.

Routine immunisation is offered for diphtheria, whooping cough, tetanus and polio under the County computer scheme as well as for measles, and has resulted in well over 80 per cent of children being protected. Older children, who are susceptible are vaccinated against tuberculosis and school girls at the age of about 13 years who have not had German measles are offered vaccination against this condition.

The Halifax hospitals provide hospitals for the Urban District and the other seven districts comprising the County Division. There is at present a considerable degree of co-ordination of hospital, general practitioner and local health authority services, e.g. in midwifery through the regular meetings of the maternity liaison committee and the successful development of the Geriatric Day Hospital at Northowram.

Attendances at Infant Welfare Clinics continues to be satisfactory and the developmental assessment programme for pre-school children which was introduced last year has been well received by parents. Under this scheme the health visitors carry out a system of screening tests at regular intervals on each child so that any problem is identified and dealt with as soon as possible. However, the reponse of parents to the invitation for the child to have the full pre-school medical examination has been disappointing—only a little over half the children invited attended for this important examination. Whilst it is true that the non-attenders are examined in due course after they enter school it is far better to identify any problems before the child enters school so that appropriate action may be taken and the teacher made aware of the child's particular difficulties from the outset. Similarly it is

preferable for the pupil to have had his booster protection against the infectious diseases before he enters the wider exposure of the school population.

The provision of health and supportive services e.g. warden schemes for the older age groups is of prime importance and will continue to be so since the proportion of elderly people in the community is increasing gradually over the years partly due to smaller family size and partly to improved life expectancy. The chiropody scheme arranged for 462 patients to receive 2,257 treatments at the clinic and a further 272 who were unable to attend were given 1,216 treatments at home. This service having been started on a voluntary basis in earlier years was operated in association with the West Riding County Council from February 1960 and wholly by the County Council since 1964. It has proved of inestimable value particularly to the elderly and physically handicapped. Unfortunately, due to expansion of need and, it appears, lack of availability of qualified staff, it is possible that it may become increasingly difficult to maintain the service provided during the year.

The Public Health Inspectors continued to exercise close vigilance in preventing the spread of infectious disease by checking contacts and arranging the collection of specimens for investigation as well as advising on general prevention. Checks on contacts of cholera carried out and referred to in the report subsequently proved to be satisfactory, likewise the suspected case of Salmonella infection was negative on investigation.

As this report has been prepared the impetus towards the reorganisation of Local Government and the health services has been gaining momentum with its consequent pressures involving time and work. I would particularly like to express my sincere appreciation to the members of the Council for their patience and courtesy and to Mr Tindall, the Chief Public Health Inspector and other officers of the Council for their friendly co-operation and help at all times.

I am,

Yours faithfully,

S. H. BROCK, M.B., B.Ch., M.F.C.M., D.P.H.,

Medical Officer of Health

Section I

VITAL STATISTICS

Statistics:

Area: 7,084 acres (Hebden Bridge 476 acres, Mytholmroyd 6,608 acres).

Population: Registrar-General's estimate of Resident

Population, mid-1972 8,710

Number of dwelling houses 3,868

Rateable Value at 1-4-72 £258,879

Product of a 1p Rate, 1972-73 ... £2,370 (Est.)

Summary of Vital Statistics:

	Total	M	F	
Live Births *	149	80	69	Live Birth Rate per 1,000 Population (crude rate) 17.1
Still Births *	1	1	—	Rate per 1,000 total (live and still) births 7
Total Live & Still Births *	150	81	69	
Deaths of infants				Infant Mortality Rate per 1,000 live births: total - 7
Under 1 year (Total)	1	—	1	legitimate - 8
Under 1 year (legitimate)	1	—	1	per 1,000 illegitimate
Under 1 year (illegitimate)	—	—	—	live births - —
Under 4 weeks	—	—	—	Neo-natal Mortality Rate —
Under 1 week	—	—	—	Early neo natal „ —
Illegitimate Live Births *	17	9	8	Percentage of total live births —
Maternal Deaths (associated with pregnancy or child- birth)	—	—	—	Maternal Mortality Rate per 1,000 live & still births —
All Deaths	135	70	65	Death Rate per 1,000 population 15.5

* These figures include births outside the Urban District to mothers usually resident in Hebden Royd.

CAUSES OF DEATH IN HEBDEN ROYD U.D.

1972

M. F.

B18	Other infective and parasitic diseases ...	—	1
B19(2)	Malignant Neoplasm, Desophagus	1	—
B19(3)	Malignant Neoplasm, Stomach	1	1
B19(4)	Malignant Neoplasm, Intestine	3	2
B19(6)	Malignant Neoplasm, Lung Bronchus .	5	—
B19(7)	Malignant Neoplasm, Breast	—	2
B19(10)	Leukaemia	1	—
B19(11)	Other Malignant Neoplasms	6	7
B21	Diabetes Mellitus	—	2
B22	Avitamenoses	—	1
B46(1)	Other Endocrine etc. diseases	1	1
B23	Anaemias	1	—
B26	Chronic Rheumatic Heart Disease	2	—
B46(5)	Other diseases of Neruous System	2	1
B28	Ischaemic Heart Disease	21	22
B29	Other forms of Heart Disease	3	1
B30	Cerebrovascular Disease	7	13
B46(6)	Other Diseases of Circulatory System ...	1	3
B32	Pneumonia	5	3
B33(11)	Bronchitis and Emphysema	2	—
B46(7)	Other Diseases of Respiratory System ...	2	1
B34	Peptic Ulcer	1	—
B46(11)	Diseases of Musculo-Skeletal System ...	—	1
B45	Symptoms and ill-defined conditions ...	—	1
B47	Motor Vehicle Accidents	4	—
BE49	Suicide and Self-Inflicted Injuries	1	1
BE50	All other External Causes	—	1

Total all causes

70

65

Principal Vital Statistics for the year 1972:

Based on Registrar General's Figures

	Hebden Royd U.D.	Hepton R.D.	Todm'den M. B	Sowerby Br'ge U.D.	Rip'nden U.D.	Aggregate W. Riding U.D.	W. Riding Admin. County	England & Wales (Provisional Figures)
BIRTH RATE (adjusted) (per 1,000 estimated population)	19.2	12.5	14.5	15.8	14.3	15.5	15.5	14.8
DEATH RATES (adjusted) (All per 1,000 estimated home population).								
All Causes	12.9	12.7	12.6	13.7	10.5	13.0	12.9	12.1
Tuberculosis of respiratory system	—	—	0.07	—	—	0.01	0.02	0.02
Other forms of tuberculosis	—	—	0.07	—	—	0.01	0.01	0.01
Cancer	3.33	2.40	3.21	2.91	2.06	2.37	2.23	2.43
Vascular lesions of nervous system	2.30	2.40	1.14	1.67	1.65	1.89	1.79	* *
Heart and circulatory diseases†	6.08	6.29	6.29	6.56	6.19	4.98	4.67	* *
Respiratory Diseases:—† (excluding tuberculosis of respiratory system)	1.49	2.10	2.07	2.23	1.03	1.80	1.73	* *
INFANT MORTALITY (adjusted) (Deaths under one year per 1,000 live births)	6.7	29.4	3.1	12.8	17.9	17.1	17.6	17.2
MATERNAL MORTALITY (adjusted) (Deaths of mothers associated with pregnancy or childbirth per 1,000 live and still-births)	—	—	—	—	—	0.05	0.04	0.15

‡ Combined death rate from heart disease and other diseases of the circulatory system.

† Combined death rate from influenza pneumonia, bronchitis and other respiratory diseases, excluding tuberculosis of the respiratory system.

* * Figures not available

Section II

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES

A. Hospitals

There is no hospital in Hebden Royd district. Patients requiring hospital treatment are referred as a rule to hospitals under the administration of the Halifax Hospitals Management Committee (National Health Service). Included in the group are the Halifax General Hospital, Royal Halifax Infirmary, Northowram Hospital (for the aged and chronic sick), Todmorden Fielden Hospital and Todmorden Stansfield View Hospital for mentally sub-normal patients.

Maternity Beds are available at the Halifax General Hospital. Priority in booking is given to abnormal cases, mothers expecting their first child, and mothers with unsatisfactory home conditions.

B. Ambulance Service

The County Ambulance Service Todmorden Depot covers Hebden Bridge but not Mytholmroyd, which is covered by the Halifax Corporation Ambulance Service under an agency agreement for hospital admissions. For other work arrangements are made through the W.R.C.C. Brighouse Ambulance Depot.

C. Laboratory Facilities

These are provided by the Public Health Laboratory Service at central laboratories in Wakefield and Bradford and by the Regional Blood Transfusion Service at Leeds. There are also facilities for the examination of clinical specimens, including cervical smears, at the Royal Halifax Infirmary.

D. Issue of Anti-Toxin, etc.

Supplies of diphtheria and tetanus anti-toxin are available at the Royal Halifax Infirmary for issue to medical

practitioners requiring them. A supply of reagents for diphtheria, tetanus, whooping cough, poliomyelitis, measles and rubella is available free of charge to private practitioners who have undertaken to participate in the West Riding County Council's schemes of immunisation.

Section III

W.R.C.C. PREVENTIVE HEALTH SERVICES

A. Clinics and Treatment Centres

CROFT STREET CLINIC, HEBDEN BRIDGE. The Child Welfare Clinic is held here every Wednesday and Thursday afternoon with a doctor in attendance on Wednesday afternoon together with the Health Visitors. These premises are inter-connected with the main premises of the local Group Practice.

MYTHOLMROYD HEALTH CENTRE, THRUSH HILL ROAD. The Child Welfare Clinic at Mytholmroyd is held here on Wednesday afternoons with a doctor in attendance on alternate weeks. Accommodation is provided for and shared with the local Group Practice.

From the beginning of the year a system of regular screening tests to assess development of all pre-school children was introduced as part of the Child Health Service carried out by the health visitors and doctors.

B. Care of Mothers and Young Children

HEBDEN ROYD CHILD WELFARE CLINICS *

Total number of children who attended during year	481
Total number of attendances	4231

HOME VISITING OF INFANTS

Total number of live births to Hebden Royd and Hepton mothers	184
Number of first visits to children under 1 year	178
Number of first visits to children aged 1—5 years	372

* These figures include mothers and children who reside in the Hepton Rural District but attend the clinics in Hebden Royd.

PROVISION OF WELFARE FOODS, ETC.

A variety of brands of dried milk and other infant foods were sold at the Child Welfare Centres for the convenience of mothers. National Dried Milk, Vit. A, D and C drops for children and Vit. A, D, and C tablets for expectant and nursing mothers were also distributed. The tablets contain, in addition, certain other essential nutritional requirements for the expectant and nursing mother.

These vitamin preparations are free to expectant and nursing mothers and children under school age in low income families in addition to free Welfare milk. Included in these are families in receipt of Supplementary Benefit or Family Income Supplement and any in special need because of low income. For families not entitled to free provision the cost of these preparations is very modest—about 5p for a six weeks' supply.

CARE OF PREMATURE INFANTS

Special equipment is available for use in the homes in cases requiring it. Portable incubators are available at both the Halifax and Todmorden Ambulance Stations should it be necessary to transfer a premature infant to hospital.

PROVISION OF MATERNITY OUTFITS

These are provided free to mothers preparing for confinement in their own homes.

C. Professional Nursing in the Home

MIDWIFERY SERVICE

The West Riding County Council employ two full-time midwives in the Hebden Royd area. One nurse is responsible for the work in the Hebden Bridge and Hepton districts; the other nurse's area covers Mytholmroyd and part of Sowerby Bridge Urban District.

Number of confinements at home	29
Number of confinements in hospital	117

ANALGESIA

The midwives are trained in the administration of trilene and gas and air analgesia and provided with the necessary equipment. Analgesia is available to all mothers desiring it, subject to satisfactory medical examination.

HOME NURSING SERVICE

There are three full-time Home Nurses working in the Hebden Royd Urban District, but covering also Hepton R.D. and part of Sowerby Bridge U.D.

D. Health Visiting

The duties of the Health Visitor are combined with those of school Nurse. In pursuance of the National Health Service Act the scope of this service includes home visiting for the purpose of giving advice as to the care of children, of persons (including adults) suffering from illness, and of expectant and nursing mothers. The Health Visitor also gives advice in the home as to measures necessary to prevent the spread of infection. Throughout this health division as far as possible Health Visitors are attached to the practices of family doctors and serve the families on their medical lists rather than working in fixed districts. This attachment scheme has led to closer integration of the two services and this is very much appreciated.

E. Family Planning

Since 1971, the Family Planning Association have held weekly sessions at Todmorden and in Allan House Clinic at Sowerby Bridge, providing a service for the residents of the Calder Valley. The General Practitioners also provide this service. Family Planning facilities were later extended by the opening of a clinic for I.U.D. (intrauterine device) fitting.

E. Care and After Care

Special provisions are in operation for the care and after care of patients suffering from tuberculosis, mental illness or sub-normality, venereal disease, and other illness.

TUBERCULOSIS

A full-time tuberculosis health visitor is employed in the division. She attends the chest clinics at the Royal Halifax Infirmary, and has helped to forge a valuable link with the hospital service. She is also responsible for visiting patients at home and helps to trace and supervise their contacts. In 1972 visits were paid to 62 households in the division.

CHIROPODY

Number of patients treated at clinics	462
Number of attendances for treatment	2257
Number of patients treated at home because of inability to attend clinics	272
Number of treatments given	1216

WARDEN SCHEMES

There were five such schemes operating in the Hebden Royd area in 1972: two supervising groups of old persons' flats and three visiting selected cases in private houses.

F. School Health Service

Number of Schools in the district	8
Number of children in attendance at school at end of 1972	2035
Number of children examined at school during 1972	412
This figure being made up as follows:—	
Routine examinations	133
Re-examinations	279
Number of above children referred for treatment	27

G. Immunisation and Vaccination

In accordance with the National Health Service Act, immunisation and vaccination of school children and pre-school children may be done either at the clinic or by the family doctor. Under the County Health Department's computer programme immunisations are offered during the pre-school period to protect against diphtheria, tetanus, whooping cough, polio and measles. Routine vaccination of infants against smallpox was withdrawn in August, 1971, following the recommendation made to the Department of Health by the Advisory Committee on Vaccination and Immunisation and was based on progress made on the international front by the World Health Organisation Smallpox Eradication Programme and the view that, in this country, the risks of continuing the routine vaccination of infants outweigh the advantages as a precautionary measure.

In addition to booster immunisations given later in childhood, vaccination against tuberculosis is offered to those who require it at the age of 12 to 13 years and vaccination against German measles to girls in the same age group who have no natural immunity.

Section IV

INFECTIOUS DISEASES

Summary of Notifications received in year 1972

DISEASE	Total Cases Notified
Scarlet fever	—
Whooping cough	—
Acute poliomyelitis	—
Measles	37
Diphtheria	—
Dysentery	—
Meningococcal infection	—
Acute pneumonia	—
Smallpox	—
Acute encephalitis	—
Enteric or typhoid fever	—
Paratyphoid fevers	—
Erysipelas	—
Food poisoning	—
Puerperal pyrexia	—
Ophthalmia neonatorum	—
Pulmonary tuberculosis	1
Other forms of tuberculosis	1
	—
	39
	—

Tuberculosis

Regarding tuberculosis in Hebden Royd in 1972:—

	Respiratory			Non-Respiratory			Ttls.
	M	F	Ttl.	M	F	Ttl.	
No. on Register on 1st Jan. 1972	11	7	18	—	—	—	18
No. first notified during 1972	1	—	1	1	—	1	2
No. of cases restored to register	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
No. of cases entered in Register other than by notification	1	2	3	—	—	—	3
No. removed from register during 1972:—							
(a) Died	—	1	1	—	—	—	1
(b) Removed from district	1	2	3	—	—	—	3
(c) Recovered	1	2	3	—	—	—	3
No. remaining on Register 31.12.72	11	4	15	1	—	1	16

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**To the Chairman and Members of the
Health Committee**

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present to you my twenty-third report as your Senior Public Health Inspector and Cleansing Superintendent. Preparation of this report has been delayed due to exteme pressure of work, as I am sure you will appreciate, and the report is somewhat abbreviated for the same reason.

Of necessity, effort has had to be largely directed to house improvement. The number of both standard and discretionary improvement grant applications nearly doubled over the previous year, and this in addition to the fact that improvement grants approved in 1971 were a threefold increase over 1970, which indicates the great increase during the last two years.

I am pleased to be able to report that the Council's smoke control programme has now got under way. The Department of the Environment approved the programme covering the whole of the district in eight years and the Smoke Control Order No. 1 was made in August and approved by the Department. This order will become operative on the 1st September, 1973. A technical assistant was appointed and it is expected that the No. 2 area will be dealt with early next year.

There are still approximately 10 per cent of the houses in the District without separate toilet facilities. Also 20 per cent have no bath and 25 per cent no wash basin.

The Area Improvement Officer resigned to take up another appointment in August and this left a void which was still not filled at the end of the year.

I wish to place on record the excellent work carried out by all the staff of the Department, technical, administrative and manual.

I am, Mr Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

THOS. W. TINDALL,

Senior Public Health Inspector
and Cleansing Superintendent.

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA

Total number of houses in the district	3,868
Number of houses erected during 1972:—	
(a) by local authority	61
(b) by private builders	20
Number of houses demolished during 1972	64
Number otherwise ceased to be used as dwellinghouses	—

Water Supply

Number of dwellinghouses on public supply	3,445
Number of dwellinghouses not on public supply	423

Sewerage and Drainage

There still remain some 190 houses not connected to a public sewer, of which number approximately 80 are drained to septic tanks and filters or cesspools.

Closet Accommodation

Total number of houses provided with water closets ...	3,792
Number of pail closets	73
Number of waste water closets	7
Pail closets converted to water closets in 1972	4
Additional closets installed during 1972:—	
(a) for old property	17
(b) for new houses	81

SANITARY INSPECTION OF THE AREA

Summary of inspections made during the year

Nuisances	298
Dwellinghouses (under Public Health or Housing Acts)	694
Drainage	316
Atmospheric Pollution:	
Smoke observations	5
Recording instruments	609
Smoke control areas	353
Water Supplies	48
Infectious diseases	33

Carried forward ... 2,356

	Brought forward ...	2,356
Food:		
Food inspection	440	
Food shops	11	
Ice Cream Dealers	8	
Milk and Dairies	4	
Bakehouses	13	
Food hawkers and premises	—	
Catering establishments	29	
Butcher's Shops	19	
Slaughterhouses	—	
Preserved foods	20	
Fish fryers	22	
	—	566

Factories and Workplaces:

Factories — mechanical	20	
Factories — non-mechanical	1	
Outworkers	4	
Offices, Shops and Railway Premises	23	
	—	48
Rag Flock Act		3
Rodent control		31
Filthy and verminous premises		6
Interviews with owners and contractors on site ...		137
Refuse Collection and disposal		206
Salvage		7
Places of entertainment		1
Hairdressers and Barbers		—
Miscellaneous investigations		9
Scrap metal dealers		—
Pet shops		3
Boarding kennels		1
Abandoned vehicles		39
Caravan sites		4
		—
		3,417

Samples taken:

Water:

	Bacteriological	Chemical	Plumbo-Solvency
Public supplies ...	—	2	8
Private supplies ...	16	1	4
Milk:	52		
Others	34		

NUISANCES AND GENERAL INSPECTIONS

Complaints received and investigated during the year: 173

	Informal	Statutory
Notices outstanding 31st December, 1971	16	3
Notices served during 1972	57	7
Notices complied with during 1972	59	7
Notices outstanding 31st December, 1972	14	3

SANITARY IMPROVEMENTS EFFECTED

New dustbins provided	296
Additional baths installed	15
Additional water closets installed	17
Additional wash basins installed	17
Defective down spouts repaired	4
Missing grates replaced	1
Defective water closets repaired	9
Offensive accumulations removed	2
New septic tanks installed	3
Defective roofs repaired	2
Defective windows repaired	2
Wholesome water supplies provided	2
Defective wall plaster renewed	1
Water closets cleansed	1
Adequate water supplies provided	2
Eradication of dry rot to premises	1

HOUSING

1. Number of dwellinghouses in the district 3,868
2. Number of houses included in the above:

(a) back-to-back	384
(b) back-to-earth	174
3. **Houses in Clearance Areas and Unfit Houses elsewhere:**

Number of houses included in representations made during the year:

(a) In Clearance Areas	—
(b) Individual unfit houses	1

A. Houses Demolished

	HOUSES DEMOLISHED	DISPLACED during year Persons	Families
In Clearance Areas:			
Houses unfit for human habitation	43	2	2
Houses included by reason of bad arrangement, etc.	—	—	—
Houses on land acquired under Sec. 43(2) Housing Act, 1957	2	—	—
Not in Clearance Areas:			
As a result of formal or informal procedure under Sec. 17(1) Housing Act, 1957 ...	—	6	1
Local Authority owned houses certified unfit by the Medical Officer of Health	—	—	—
Houses unfit for human habitation where action has been taken under local Acts	—	—	—
Unfit houses included in Unfitness Orders	—	—	—
Houses subject to Closing Orders which were demolished during the year	6	—	—

B. Unfit Houses Closed

	Number		
Under Sections 16(4), 17(1), and 35(1) Housing Act, 1957	1	13	7
Under Sections 17(3) and 26, Housing Act, 1957	—	—	—
Parts of buildings closed under Section 18, Housing Act, 1957	—	—	—

C. Unfit houses made fit and houses in which defects were remedied

	By Owner	By Local Authority
After informal action by Local Authority	—	—
After formal notices under:		
(a) Public Health Acts ...	—	—
(b) Sections 9 and 16, Housing Act, 1957 ...	—	—
Under Section 24, Housing Act, 1957	—	—

**D. Defects remedied (other than
unfit houses made fit)**

After formal notice under the
Public Health Acts

3

New Dwellings

Number of new dwellings completed during the year:

(a) By Local Authority	61
(b) By private builders	20

Standard Grants

Formal applications received during the year	70
Applications approved during the year	55
Number of dwellings completed during the year	36

Improvement Grants

Preliminary applications received during the year	88
Applications approved during the year	38
Number of dwellings completed during the year	14

SEWERAGE AND DRAINAGE

Defective drains found	29
Defective drains repaired	15
Obstructed drains found	4
Obstructed drains cleared	4
Obstructed sewers found	1
Obstructed sewers cleared	1
Obstructed gullies found	4
Defective gullies repaired	4
Obstructed septic tanks found	2
New septic tanks examined and tested	3
New drains examined and tested	40
Drains traced to outfall	17
Defective sewers found	3
Defective sewers repaired	3
Defective septic tanks found	1
Drains tested for defects	8

ATMOSPHERIC POLLUTION

Observations at Redacre Sewage Works, Mytholmroyd

(Corresponding figures for 1971 shown in brackets)

	Rainfall (ins.)	Total Solid Deposit (tons per sq. mile)
January	4·20(3·42)	9·12(8·65)
February	3·30(2·44)	8·92(8·89)
March	3·15(3·34)	7·00(13·43)
April	3·74(2·75)	11·78(9·63)
May	4·20(2·87)	6·63(7·06)
June	3·13(2·69)	5·46(3·77)
July	1·97(1·81)	13·30(13·03)
August	1·09(4·13)	8·41(14·74)
September	1·69(0·90)	2·89(12·08)
October	1·19(4·60)	7·53(15·02)
November	4·80(4·64)	24·00(16·63)
December	5·20(1·89)	20·54(9·86)

ATMOSPHERIC SULPHUR

Concentration microgrammes per cubic metre

HEBDEN BRIDGE				REDACRE		
	Average	Highest	Lowest	Average	Highest	Lowest
January ...	120	342	116	58	250	6
February ...	101	216	34	40	89	12
March	141	338	38	74	173	12
April	84	286	20	59	320	6
May	68	116	33	41	76	18
June	55	110	18	32	71	15
July	68	116	33	44	71	22
August	53	219	13	44	88	13
September .	93	204	39	64	178	23
October ...	146	304	55	102	232	32
November ...	141	282	53	71	159	31
December ...	240	768	100	108	391	50

WATER SUPPLIES

Samples:

Type of Sample	No. Satisfactory		No. Unsatisfactory	
	Public supplies	Private supplies	Public supplies	Private supplies
Chemical	2	1	1	—
Bacteriological	—	5	—	11
Plumbo-solvancy ...	8	4	—	—

INFECTIOUS DISEASES

Salmonella:

Cases investigated	1
Faeces specimens submitted to laboratory	12

Sonne Dysentery:

Cases investigated	2
Faeces specimens submitted to laboratory	25

Suspected Cholera:

Contacts investigated	2
Faeces specimens submitted to laboratory	—

FOOD

	Cattle (excluding Cows)	Cows only	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs
Number inspected	594	46	2	2,070	989
Whole carcasses con- demned:					
Tuberculosis only	—	—	—	—	—
Cysticercus Bovis	—	—	—	—	—
Other diseases	—	—	1	1	3

Carcases of which some
part or organ was con-
demned:

Tuberculosis only	—	—	—	—	—
Cysticercus Bovis	—	—	—	—	—
Other diseases	59	18	1	123	42

Percentage of carcasses
inspected infected with:

Tuberculosis only	—	—	—	—	—
Cysticercus Bovis	—	—	—	—	—
Other diseases	0·99	3·90	100·00	0·59	0·45

Weight of food condemned:

tons	cwts	qrs	lbs	oz
0	12	0	5	0

Food Hygiene

Type of Premises	Number on Register	Number with wash basins	Number with sink	Number of Inspec- tions	No. of contra- ventions Found	No. of written notices served	Number of contra- ventions remedied
Catering Establishments	22	22	22	15	16	2	14
Food Shops	47	36	23	14	1	1	—
Bakehouses	7	7	7	11	26	2	9
Butchers' Shops	10	6	6	13	18	1	—
Markets	4	4	—	12	5	2	5
Food Hawkers	13	13	—	—	—	—	—
Fish Fryers	5	2	3	5	3	—	3
Slaughterhouses	1	1	1	440	—	—	—
School Canteens	6	6	6	3	—	—	—

Preserved Food

Type of Trade	No on Register	No of Inspections	No of contraventions Found	No of notices served	No of contraventions Remedied
Sausage Making	4	4	—	—	—
Potted and preserved Meat	1	7	10	2	10

Ice Cream

	No. on Register	No of Inspections	No of contraventions Found	No of notices served	No of contraventions Remedied
Manufacturers	1	1	—	—	—
Retailers	17	1	—	—	—

Milk and Dairies

Number of distributors on register, 31st December, 1972 9

Number of producer-retailers 15

Milk Samples

Designation	Bacteriological			Brucella abortus			
	Total number	No. Satisfactory	No. Unsatisfactory	Ring Test No. Positive	Ring Test No. Negative	Culture Test No. Positive	Culture Test No. Negative
Pasteurised	1	1	—	—	—	—	—
Farm bottled	53	36	—	2	36	1	52

FACTORIES, WORKPLACES AND SHOPS

Factories

Premises	Number on Register	Number of		Prosecutions
		Inspections	Writt'n N'tic's	
(1) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6, are enforced by Local Authority	1	1	—	—
(2) Factories (not included in (1) above) in which Section 7 is enforced by Local Authority	75	17	1	—
(3) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by Local Authority (excluding outworkers' premises).	—	—	—	—
TOTAL	76	18	1	

Premises in which defects were found:

Defects	Number of Cases in which defects were found				No. of cases in which prosecutions were instituted
	Found	Remedied	Referred		
			By H.M. Inspector	To HM Inspector	
Want of cleanliness	—	—	—	—	—
Overcrowding	—	—	—	—	—
Unreasonable temperature	—	—	—	—	—
Inadequate ventilation	—	—	—	—	—
Ineffective drainage of floors.....	—	—	—	—	—
Sanitary Conveniences:—					
(a) Insufficient	1	—	—	—	—
(b) Unsuitable or defective.....	—	—	—	—	—
(c) Not separate for sexes	—	—	—	—	—
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Outwork).	—	—	—	—	—
Total	1	—	—	—	—

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OUTWORK — Sections 133 and 134

Nature of Work <hr style="border-top: 1px dashed black;"/>	SECTION 133				SECTION 1	
	No. of Outworkers in August List required by Sec. 133 (1) (c)	No. of cases of default in sending lists to the Council	No. of Prosecutions for failure to supply lists	No. of instances of work in unwholesome premises	Notices served	Prosecutions
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
Wearing Apparel (Making etc., cleaning and washing)	12	—	—	—	—	—

Outworkers:

Total number of outworkers on August lists	12
Number on lists forwarded by other Authorities	—
Number residing in district	5

Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, 1963:

Total number of registered premises at year end	86
Total number of those:	
(a) Offices	28
(b) Retail shops	47
(c) Wholesale shops and warehouses	1
(d) Catering establishments open to the public and canteens	10
(e) Fuel storage depots	—
Number of inspections made	23
Number of informal notices served	2
Number of contraventions found	3
Number of notices complied with	2

CARAVAN SITES

There is a site at Lower Clough Foot, Cragg Vale, for touring caravans. The site is operated by the Caravan Club.

PET SHOPS

There is only one pet shop on the register in Hebden Bridge.

BOARDING KENNELS

There is only one animal boarding establishment in the district. It is situated in Cragg Vale and is maintained in a satisfactory condition.

RAG FLOCK AND OTHER FILLING MATERIALS

There are four premises registered under the Act. There are no licensed premises in the district.

HAIRDRESSERS AND BARBERS

Number on register:

Ladies' Hairdressers	12
Hairdressers and Barbers	4

RODENT CONTROL

Type of premises	Found to be infested		Treated by Rodent Operative	Number of Notices served	Notice complied with
	Rats	Mice		Rat Proofing	
Dwellinghouses	10	35	45	1	1
Business Premises.....	17	7	24	4	4
Agricultural Property	1	—	1	—	—
Local Authority..... (excluding houses)	1	2	3	—	—
Total	29	44	73	5	5

REFUSE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL

Quantities of refuse collected and tipped:

	Loads	Bins
Domestic Refuse	1,665	
Night soil	146	
Trade refuse	1,136	3,211
	2,947	3,211

SALVAGE

Year ended 31st December, 1972

MATERIAL	WEIGHT			INCOME	
	tons	cwts	qrs	£	p
Waste paper: Mixed	102	8	1	999	71
Ferrous metal	14	0	0	56	00
Non-ferrous metal		12	3	44	63
Textiles	2	13	0	30	86
	199	14	0	1,131	20

VEHICLE RUNNING COSTS PER MILE,

(Period 1st January to 31st December, 1972)

	Repairs	Oil and Grease	Tyres and Tubes	Tax and Insurance	Fuel	Anti-Freeze	Painting	TOTAL
No. 1 - Karrier Ramillies 25 cu. yd. Continuous loading diesel engine. Age of vehicle - 8 months	4.02p	0.24p	1.19p	3.65p	4.34p	0.03p	0.01p	13.48p
No.2 - Karrier Bantam. 10/12 cu. yd. Dual tip, diesel engine Age of vehicle - 6 years	6.97p	0.13p	2.58p	3.00p	2.80p	0.04p	0.01p	15.53p
No.3 - Karrier Bantam 7 cu. yd. Side loader with night soil tank Age of vehicle - 4 years	5.95p	0.06p	0.27p	1.92p	2.43p	0.03p	0.01p	10.67p
No. 4 - Karrier Ramillies 25 cu. yd. Continuous loading, diesel engine Age of vehicle - 2 years	20.85p	0.58p	1.90p	5.44p	7.15p	0.04p	0.01p	35.97p
TOTALS	37.79p	1.01 p	5.94p	14.01p	16.82p	0.14p	0.04p	75.65p

